

## Miss Ward's Teaching Philosophy

Teaching is more than a student getting an A on a test. Teaching is motivating and stimulating the student to do better than they even thought possible. To be a teacher you must be totally willing to sacrifice your time and help for the good of your students.

The relationship between a student and teacher should be totally open. In order for the student to learn, they must first be willing to know the teacher isn't steering them wrong. And vice versa for the teachers. If the teacher isn't willing, the student is completely out of luck.

The characteristics that make a successful teacher are: understanding, willing, and honesty. The teacher must understand that not every student learns the exact same way. So, they must be willing to change things and have other options for students who may struggle more or for students who learn a little differently. They must trust that their students will give all they've got to learn and they must, in return do the same for their students.

